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Appropriations Committee
State of Connecticut
Legislative Office Building, Room 2C
Hartford, CT 06106

Testimony on H.B. 7027 AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH 2019, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR.

Dear Senator Formica, Senator Osten, and Representative Walker,

Frontier Communications is proud to join Yale University, Yale-New Haven Health System, the City of New Haven, and over 50 other regional employers that actively work with New Haven Works on a shared local hiring effort.

Since the beginning of our partnership with New Haven Works in 2015, we have worked collaboratively to ensure that Frontier Jobs are as accessible as possible for New Haven residents.

This includes building a relationship between our hiring department and New Haven Works, helping New Haven Works develop screening tools that can identify candidates that are best positioned for Frontier opportunities, engaging in a referral relationship that gives New Haven Works candidates extra consideration, and participating in an interview preparation workshop with New Haven Works members.

We also provide New Haven Works honest feedback about candidates that go through our hiring process, understanding that this information is used to help strengthen the candidate for future opportunities.

As Frontier continues to develop its regional operations, we are committed to the viability of our New Haven workforce. We recognize that some of these positions require a unique set of skills, including our call center operations, and we look forward to supporting New Haven Works as they work to identify, recruit, and develop a strong pool of candidates from New Haven for these opportunities.

We are excited to continue the partnership with New Haven Works and encourage the State of Connecticut to continue to support this important partnership.

Sincerely,

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Director, Talent Acquisition/University Relations

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